

TIGERS HOLD TWO CHAMPIONSHIPS

Princeton Heads List in Athletics.

Harvard Is Second and Yale Comes Third in College Sports.

Summary of the Year's Work in the Leading Schools of the Country.

COLLEGE CHAMPIONS OF THE LAST YEAR.

Sport	Holder of Championship.
Football	Princeton
Baseball	Princeton
Track athletics	Yale
Rowing	Yale
Golf	Harvard
Tennis	Harvard
Basketball	Harvard
Cricket	Harvard
Lacrosse	Harvard
Fencing	Harvard
Hockey	Harvard
Shooting	Harvard
Gymnastics	Harvard

*Intercollegiate championship in rowing divided between Syracuse and Yale which won the Poughkeepsie and New London regattas respectively but did not compete against each other.

The Yale-Harvard baseball game at New York on July marked the close of the intercollegiate athletic season for the academic year of 1903-04. It has been one of the most strenuous athletic years on record. But its most distinguishing feature, especially in the East, has been the steadily increasing number of sports which the college athlete has taken up. Less than a decade ago there were just four sports in which an effort was made to decide the question of intercollegiate supremacy, and often, as occasionally happens now, the title was disputed by two or three rival institutions. The four major sports which then used up all the athletic energy of the undergraduates were football, baseball, rowing and track athletics.

But within the last few years the undergraduates have undertaken to develop the other and minor sports, until now there is some particular branch of sport for every able-bodied student. In the East there are thirteen branches of sport in which the championship title for the past year has been settled beyond dispute. These are as follows: Football, baseball, track athletics, rowing, golf, tennis, basketball, cricket, lacrosse, fencing, hockey, shooting and gymnastics.

Princeton Has Two Championships.

It is not often that the end of the football season leaves the championship so clear cut. Princeton by defeating Yale, which in turn defeated Harvard, the conqueror of Pennsylvania, is easily entitled to first honors. The chances of a Michigan victory were much debated last fall, but there was no meeting. Princeton is likewise the holder of the baseball championship, thus scoring the two most important athletic championships of the year. There are those who will dispute Princeton's title to the baseball honors because the Tigers were defeated twice by Georgetown, and once by Pennsylvania and by several minor colleges. But with the exception of the one Pennsylvania game, the Tigers were not preparing for the games in which they were defeated, and had they done so they would undoubtedly have won them. Princeton won the



Yale series and although Harvard also defeated Yale, the Tigers made their claim to the championship good by trouncing Harvard in the one game played.

In track athletics, Yale by capturing first place in the intercollegiate meet on Franklin field in May, demonstrated her superiority in this field. In the West, Michigan won similar honors at the conference meet in Chicago. There is naturally a great deal of argument as to which institution deserves the rowing championship. Syracuse won the premier at the Poughkeepsie regatta, while Yale did likewise at New London. As the crews of Syracuse and Yale do not meet it is impossible to decide the question this way. Syracuse certainly has more right to claim the championship than Yale, because the Poughkeepsie regatta is primarily an intercollegiate affair, while the Yale-Harvard regatta is only a dual meeting. Harvard and Yale have been invited to send crews to Poughkeepsie, but have refused each year, so that they have no reason to complain if Syracuse claims the title.

Harvard Won Honors in Golf.

The golf championship was divided between Harvard and Princeton. Harvard won the team championship and Princeton the individual honors through the victory of F. O. Reinhart. In the intercollegiate tennis tournament E. B. Dewhurst of the University of Pennsylvania won the singles and Columbia the doubles. The basketball championship was decided in the winter by a regular schedule, the only sport in which this method was used. In a series of ten games Columbia was not defeated once and carried off first honors, with Pennsylvania second. Haverford college tri-

umphed in cricket, defeating Pennsylvania, Harvard and Cornell, the other members of the association. Swarthmore college holds undisputed claim to the lacrosse championship by beating every college of importance East, West, North and South, even trouncing the Toronto university champions in easy fashion.

The West Point Military Academy carried off the honors in the fencing tournament which was held in New York last March, easily beating their college rivals. The hockey championship was won by Harvard after a desperate struggle with Yale. Harvard won her third championship of the year by making the best score in the intercollegiate shoot held at New Haven last fall. The gymnastic championship was settled in New York and was won by Yale.

Several other sports, such as chess, bowling, billiards, checkers and swimming, are fostered at the leading universities, but no attempt has even been made to hold intercollegiate tournaments in them, though in most there are dual meetings between rival colleges.

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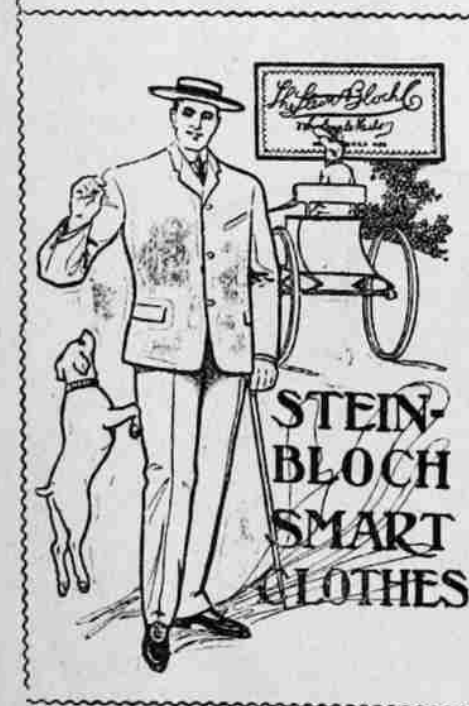
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